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Definitely worth checking out. Also, I'm looking into whether we can ARRA funds for our sidewalks...but it's possible that money may have already been allocated, but I'll find out

On Thu, Jul 8, 2010 at 4:48 PM, < <u>iruhlen916@aol.com</u>> wrote:

Hi.

You may have received this email. Do you think this might benefit the Westchester community and the Westchester Town Center BID?

We could use more of PATH's time in the community.

John

----Original Message-----

From: Corporation for Supportive Housing, Los Angeles < media.la@csh.org >

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Sent: Thu, Jul 8, 2010 1:44 pm

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Funding supports unprecedented federal strategy to prevent and end homelessness

WASHINGTON – U.S. Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan today announced \$34,489,433 in new grants to assist local homeless assistance programs in California. The funding will provide support to 53 new projects that will offer critically needed housing and support services to homeless individuals and families over the extended lifetime of these grants (see attached chart).

Last December, HUD awarded more than \$213 million through its Continuum of Care programs to quickly renew funding to 751 existing local programs. The grants announced today build on that investment by funding new projects, awarded by competition and funded through the 2009 Continuum of Care funds. In addition, the funding supports the Obama Administration's far-reaching and ambitious plan to end homelessness. Last month, Donovan and 18 other federal agencies unveiled Opening Doors, an unprecedented federal strategy to end veteran and chronic homelessness by 2015, and to end homelessness among children, families, and youth by 2020.

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"This funding is an important part of the Obama Administration's new strategy to end homelessness in all its forms," said Donovan. "We know that these programs are critical in moving people beyond a life on the streets and placing them on a path toward dignity and self sufficiency."

HUD's Continuum of Care grants are awarded competitively to local programs to meet the needs of their homeless clients. Continuum of Care grants provide permanent and transitional housing to homeless persons. In addition, Continuum of Care grants fund a wide range of programs including important services such as job training, health care, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment and child care. These grants also fund street outreach and assessment programs to transitional and permanent housing for homeless persons and families (see attached summary of the funding awarded today).

HUD's homelessness grants are reducing long-term or chronic homelessness in America. Based on the Department's latest Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR), chronic homelessness has declined by 30 percent since 2006. This decline is directly attributed to HUD's homeless grants helping to create significantly more permanent housing for those who might otherwise be living on the streets. It was also reported in the AHAR that the number of homeless families increased for the second consecutive year, almost certainly due to the ongoing effects of the recession.

In addition to the funding provided through HUD's Continuum of Care Programs, the Department allocated \$1.5 billion through its new <u>Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing (HPRP) Program</u>. Made possible through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, HPRP is intended to prevent persons from falling into homelessness or to rapidly re-house them if they do.

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CSH is a national nonprofit community development financial institution with offices located throughout the United States. Building on a commitment to invest in the communities it serves, CSH provides the advocacy, expertise, leadership, and financial resources to make it easier for local communities to create and operate supportive housing, which is permanent housing linked to services that prevent and end the cycle of chronic homelessness. In 2003, CSH opened its offices in Los Angeles. Since then, CSH has distributed over \$22 million in funding to stimulate the development of over 2,000 units of housing throughout Los Angeles County. Learn more about how we fight homelessness at www.csh.org.

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